



SANTA FE MAY EXTEND

Believed It Will Build North From Eureka.

MAY TAKE OVER A. & C.

Portland-Oregon Seacoast Line May Be Part of the Scheme.

SOUTHERN LINE IS ASSURED

Santa Fe Officials Admit the Eureka Road Will Be Constructed and Well Informed Railroad Men Say the Road Is Preparing to Come to the Columbia.

San Francisco, Nov. 22.—An impression prevails among railroad men here that the hand of the Santa Fe road will be found in the management of the affairs of the railroad company incorporated in Oregon yesterday. It is believed that the line proposed to be constructed from Portland to Eureka is intended as a connecting link in a chain of roads to operate between San Francisco and Portland under Santa Fe management.

President Ripley of the Santa Fe, in an interview here, said that rumors of the cessation of construction of the line from Eureka South to the Northern terminus of the California Northwestern were untrue.

"We're at work on the road," he said, "and it will be completed within a year and a half. That will give railroad connections between San Francisco and Eureka, and the run may be made in 11 hours."

As the line from Eureka to Portland is to be finished in about eighteen months, a new through line from this city to Portland seems assured.

MAY ACQUIRE A. & C.

Believed Extension Will Be Made to Astoria to Join Hammonds Road.

Portland, Nov. 22.—Facts brought out yesterday through the incorporation of the Portland-Oregon Seacoast Railway Company, so far as they pertain to a connection with the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe at Eureka, are but a confirmation of the activity of the Rockefeller interests and that the coast territory is being mapped out for an invasion by the Santa Fe.

It was foreseen by strategists following the play of the steel rail manipulators that the Santa Fe could ill afford to make its western terminus at Eureka. Humboldt Bay was not the sort of harbor that would fill the requirements of the system, and it was generally understood the plans for the Western development included the con-

OLD MANUSCRIPT SOLD AT AUCTION.

New York, Nov. 22.—A fine early Abraham Lincoln manuscript, a relic of Mr Lincoln's career as an Illinois lawyer, was sold at auction yesterday. It is dated May 13, 1851. It sold for \$50. The pardon of Elizabeth Shorter, quarto document, dated Washington, November 5, 1864, and signed by President Lincoln, brought \$20. A two page letter, signed by George Washington, dated May 13, 1791, and addressed to the citizens of Savannah, in response to an invitation to visit that city, brought the sum of \$47.

OLGA NETHERSOLE SCORED AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Nov. 22.—Montreal women who arranged to take a part in the Queen Alexandra Charity matinee, today announced their withdrawal of patronage unless Olga Nethersole, who arranged the benefit, took from her program an act from "The Labyrinth." Miss Nethersole took off the piece in an announcement in which she said, "Miss Nethersole, regretting the opinion held by the patronesses is loath to allow anything to interfere with the success of Wednesday's performance, and has therefore consented to substitute some recitation for the second act of 'The Labyrinth.'"

struction of a line north on the coast tapping Coos Bay and such other ports as would eventually provide outlets to the Orient.

A. B. Hammond's private prediction that Astoria would soon be on the map of a transcontinental system was remembered when the new movements became known, and his connection with the Astoria & Columbia River road gave rise to the belief the Santa Fe might find it an admirable property to acquire. Harriman's option on the road expired in September. The friendly feeling existing between Messrs. Hill and Rockefeller paves the way for the transfer of the A. & C., and the Northern Pacific branch from Portland to Goble with the completion of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern line down the Columbia, or at least the entering into an understanding whereby the Northern Pacific right of way might be utilized without interference.

COMMITTEE DIVIDED

Unabl. to Agree Over Inter-State Rate Bill.

SHARP DIVISION IS SHOWN

Democrats Want the Bill Reported and Are Backed by Some Republicans in Their Views—Others Favor Conservative Stand Taken by President.

Washington, Nov. 22.—Railroad rate making was considered by Senate committee on Inter-State Commerce today, but no measures were presented to the committee, upon which they could base action.

Views submitted by several members indicated a sharp division as far as the situation has developed. There is further indication that the majority of the committee will favor a measure giving the Inter-State Commerce Commission more power, which means in some form control over rates.

It seems well understood that three Republicans and enough Democrats favor such legislation as to insure the rate making bill being reported. Informal discussion among the Republican members of the committee shows that an apprehension is felt that if the bill be reported by Republicans and Democrats against the wish of the majority of the Republican members, it will create a division in the party that will work disaster in the future.

The Republicans who favor rate making legislation assert, the way to avoid rupture is to support the conservative measure in the line of the recommendations of the President.

MOURN THE DEAD HUNTERS.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 22.—The Indians of Neuchatalitz are holding a sorrow dance in which the women scratch their cheeks and breasts until blood is drawn, to mourn for the Indian hunters of the overdue sealing schooner Fawn, believed to have foundered en route home from Behring Sea. There were six white men and twenty-one Indians on the sealing vessel.

ZEMSTVOISTS DECIDE TO SUPPORT WITTE

PREPARE RESOLUTION IN GOVERNMENT'S FAVOR

Will Endeavour to Obtain Liberties Promised Under Manifesto, But Will Ask Formation of a Constituent Assembly.

DEMAND A SEVERE INVESTIGATION OF RECENT DISORDERS

Government Leader Insists that Not Only the Police Be Investigated But the Reds as Well—Defends Martial Law Declaring that Extraordinary Measures Were Necessary in Extreme Cases—Uproar Caused by His Remarks and He Is Interrupted by Cries of "Enough"—Socialists Are Dissatisfied.

Moscow, Nov. 22.—The resolution outlining the proposed program of the Zemstvoists, favoring the support of the government in an effort to obtain the liberties promised by the imperial manifesto, but asking for the transformation of the first Douma into a constituent assembly, to be elected on the basis of direct and universal suffrage, was the subject of a prolonged debate today in which nearly forty speakers participated.

The resolution was referred back to the executive committee for incorporation, and any modifications made necessary by criticism, and it will be voted on tomorrow.

One section, a resolution calling for a thorough and severe investigation, and the placing of the responsibility of the recent disorders, met general approval, though M. Guchkoff demanded an investigation of not only the police, but also of the "Reds."

M. Kuchkoff, who is regarded as Count Witte's spokesman, defended martial law, saying extraordinary measures were necessary in such extreme cases. He was continually interrupted by cries of "Enough," from Socialists.

The decision of the Congress to co-operate with Witte's government, is extremely distasteful to the Social Democrats, who sent a letter to Congress, stating the delegates had sold themselves to the government, but the Socialists would show them up to people as traitors.

The Socialists also created a scene in the Congress of peasants, which opened today, and to which they demanded admittance, with the right to vote. The Congress refused to grant right to vote, whereupon the Socialists left in a huff and said the peasants did not know their best friends.

MORE MONEY FOR ROCKEFELLER.

Pittsburg, Nov. 22.—The Standard Oil Company today advanced the price of Raglan crude oil six cents a barrel.

ARRESTED FOR PENSION FRAUD.

San Francisco, Nov. 22.—Albert Taylor, 60 years of age and a veteran of the Civil War has been arrested here by the pension authorities. He was indicted recently in Denver for defrauding the government for an attempt to obtain a pension under the name of another soldier named Nightingale, who it was proved, it is alleged, was found by the pension authorities to have been dead for 30 years. Taylor fled to this city. Proceedings for his removal to Denver have already begun.

NARROW ESCAPE FROM FIRE.

New Bedford, Nov. 22.—Four men were caught early today in the upper story of the Sundial Hotel by a fire on one of the lower floors and all were finally taken out by the firemen, one of them, William Hennessy, of this city, was unconscious from smoke and will probably die.

A Boston traveling man named Shannon had a narrow escape, while Edwin Bowen, the proprietor, and Fred Klobedanz, the ball player were rescued with

difficulty. The hotel was badly damaged.

MANY TONS OF MEXICAN COIN ARE SHIPPED TO THE ORIENT.

San Francisco, Nov. 22.—Nearly \$2,000,000 in money will be taken out for the Orient by the Pacific mail liner China, sailing on Saturday next. Three fourths of this, consisting of fifty tons of Mexican dollars, and valued at \$1,500,000 is already aboard the China and under a strong guard. Such a big shipment of coin has not been sent in a liner for many months. Most of this silver is consigned to Shanghai. The China is also to take a full cargo of freight and many passengers.

FOUND DEAD IN ROOM.

Chicago, Nov. 22.—Mrs. Panette Clark, 74 years old, died at her home alone and helpless yesterday, her head resting on the burner of a gas stove. She was a well known charity worker and one of the founders and charter members of the Chicago Commons Women's Clubs. The supposition is that Mrs. Clark, while preparing her supper, fainted, falling across the stove. Whether death was caused by the severe burns or by asphyxiation is unknown. When a neighbor found the body the stove was cold and the gas was escaping.

DEPUTY WAS BARTENDER WHERE PLOT WAS FORMED

Seattle, Nov. 22.—It developed today, in the inquiry of the murder at Redmond, of George Butchard, that Deputy Sheriff Stitham, involved in the case, was bartender in the saloon where a plot was formed to rob P. O. Johnson, and that when Johnson was attacked by

Butchard and the two men under arrest, one of the number stabbed Butchard in the neck, severing an artery from which he bled to death. Stitham has been removed from office and notified to appear as a witness at the inquest tomorrow.

"BACK TO NATURE" PREACHER IS DEAD.

Chicago, Nov. 22.—Unable to retain nourishment, due to long periods of fasting, John Kleinst, the "back to nature" preacher died yesterday. Kleinst who was 50 years old, had traveled all over the country on foot, wearing sandals and clad in the thinnest and coarsest garments. One of his beliefs was that the day of judgment was at hand, and frequently he would stop persons on the street and warn them to prepare for the last day. He wore no under-clothing, and was a familiar figure in the downtown streets, selling pamphlets advocating his ideas of getting "back to nature."

TAMMANY LEADER ARRESTED.

New York, Nov. 22.—James A. Maguire, chairman of the election board in the Ninth election district of the 19th assembly district, was arrested yesterday on a charge of violating the election laws. He is accused of leaving the polling place in his district at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon of election day, and of going to the 20th election district polling place and voting there under the name of Harry W. Jennings. Maguire was held in \$5000 bail. He is a Tammany lieutenant.

SON OF MARSHALL FIELD IS ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

Chicago, Nov. 22.—While cleaning his gun preparatory to going on a hunting expedition, Marshall Field, Jr., son of Marshall Field, the well known dry goods merchant, today accidentally shot himself. He was taken to the hospital and will probably die before morning.

SUGGESTS PUBLICITY

Vice-President Tarbell Says People Would Then Have Confidence:

ADMITS OFFICIALS DID WRONG

Says He Has No Apologies to Make for Them, However, and Hopes that They May Be Punished—Ignorant as to Where Committee Got Information.

New York, Nov. 22.—After being on the witness stand before the Armstrong Committee the greater part of three days, Gage E. Tarbell, second vice president of the Equitable, finished his testimony today, just before the adjournment.

He submitted suggestions to remedy the existing abuses in the management of insurance companies, and for legislation designed to give the state the proper control over the companies and thus insure the confidence of the policyholders. Prominent among these suggestions was absolute publicity.

While admitting that wrong had been done by the insurance officials, Tarbell said he had no apologies to make for any of them and hoped they would be punished. Tarbell bore out, in a measure, the statement of Hyde relative to the fairness of the Frick report.

The subject of advances to agents was under investigation, and Hughes read some figures of the advances given. Hughes asked where the Frick committee got its figures and Tarbell with marked asperity, replied that he did not know.

"They did not get them in my department or the auditors; they made their report without ever making an investigation of my department."

Salary Reductions Accepted.

New York, Nov. 22.—The trustees of the Mutual Life today accepted President McCurdy's offer of a reduction in salary to \$75,000. Other reductions in salaries amounting to \$50,000 were likewise accepted. It is also stated that the company has decided to place the general agents on salaries.

MERRIWETHER ON TRIAL

Charged With Manslaughter Before Court Martial

SECRET "CODE" SHOWN

Merriwether Disregarded the Code and Was Generally Disliked as a Result.

MANY ENCOUNTERS WERE HELD

Testimony Produced at the Trial Tends to Indicate that the Officers Connived at the Fights and the "Code" Under Which They Were Conducted.

Annapolis, Nov. 22.—Midshipman Merriwether, Jr., of LaPayette, La., was put on trial today before the Naval Court Martial, on charges of manslaughter, in having caused the death of Midshipman Branch, of New York, in a flat fight on November 5th, for violation of the rules of the government navy, in applying to Branch such names as "sneak" and "coward" and assaulting him; and lastly of conduct in prejudice of the good order and discipline, in engaging in a fight with Branch.

The death of Branch called the attention to the unwritten code governing the student body, quite outside the authoritative regulations and is generally in violation of them. Under this code, every detail of these fights was fixed, the midshipmen on duty abstaining from reporting them, and excusing from formation, all those connected with them. These facts were clearly brought out in the testimony.

"Code" is Ventilated. Although the "code" system is not on trial, it is being thoroughly ventilated along some lines, and in fairness to the midshipmen who testified today, every one of them gave the indication of being very frank.

Midshipman Fitch, who refereed the fight, stated that he officiated in nineteen such contests, and Midshipman McKittrick, to taking part in them. Detailed accounts of the arrangements for the care of the injured in these fights, in hospitals, and that nothing further was ever heard of them, was brought out by the defense, it being evidently intended to show the authorities had also winked as the "code" and the pre-arranged fights under it.

Merriwether Too Ratty. One midshipman testified that Merriwether was generally disliked because he was too "ratty" that is, did not abide by the rules laid down for the lower classmen.

NEGRO MURDERER IS QUIETLY LYNCHED.

Coahoma, Miss., Nov. 22.—Dave Sims, the negro who shot and killed R. F. (Deacon) Jones at his home one mile from Baugh station in this county on Sunday night, was lynched by an armed mob at the scene of his crime early today. Sims was captured last night by a posse and immediately brought to this place. Several citizens interviewed the negro and they say he made a full confession. Sims was placed aboard a train and taken to Baugh Station, the scene of the crime, and without any excitement strung up to a tree.